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Hydrology

3130 Groundwater
A THEORETICAL EXPLANATION OF SOLUTE DISPERSION IN
SATURATED POROUS MEDIA AT THE Darcy Scale (Dept. of
Civil Eng., Univ. of Mass., Amherst, MA 01003)
The transport of a non-reactive solute in a
saturated porous media is explained at three dis-
tinct space-time scales. These are the kinetic,
microscopic and Darcy scales. The transition from
one scale to the next higher scale, i.e., from the
kinetic to the microscopic scale, is a consequence
of the (central) limit theorem of probability
theory. At the microscopic scale, the solid
and the liquid phases together form a heteroge-
neous medium. The microscopic solute concen-
tration is governed by a parabolic equation with ap-
propriate boundary conditions. The solute concen-
tration is then averaged over the pore space to
obtain the Darcy scale concentration. In the com-
puter, the averaging is done by summing up the
values of the solute concentration at the pore
scale. The so-called dispersion phenomenon at the
Darcy scale is shown to be a consequence of the
dispersion at the pore scale. In the computer,
the averaging is done by summing up the values
of the solute concentration at the pore scale.
For large Péclet numbers, the coefficients of
dispersion at the Darcy scale are shown to be
expressions in terms of the pore scale velocity.
The magnitude of the dispersion coefficient at the
Darcy scale is shown to be a function of the
pore scale velocity. This expression shows
that for very small Péclet numbers only the mole-
cular diffusion provides the dominant contribution
to the dispersion coefficient. For large Péclet
numbers, the dispersion coefficient is dominated
by the liquid convection and the molecular dif-
fusion contributes to the dispersion coefficient.
In this range the dispersion coefficient is not
found to be a function of the pore scale velocity.
These findings are well supported by existing experi-
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important in explaining the solute transport and
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Francis W. Reichelderfer
1895-1983

Francis W. Reichelderfer, who died January 26, 1983, introduced modern forecasting techniques to U.S. military and civilian weather prediction and spearheaded their dissemination throughout the world. When Reichelderfer retired as Chief of the U.S. Weather Bureau in 1963, Secretary of Commerce Luther H. Hodges declared that, "You are leaving a legacy of the world's largest and most sophisticated weather system." During your tour of duty, your leadership and inspiration guided meteorologists throughout the world to work toward the common goal of a truly global weather system. President Kennedy and former Presidents Truman and Eisenhower sent letters of appreciation. In addition, Reichelderfer received gifts and messages from more than 50 other nations in recognition of his many contributions to the development of modern meteorology. Reichelderfer himself said that he had been fortunate "always to have been in the right place at the right time."

Reichelderfer was born in Hartsville, Indiana, on August 6, 1895. In 1917 he graduated from Northwestern University, and in 1918 he joined the U.S. Naval Reserve Force to become a pilot. Sent to ground school at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Reichelderfer signed up for aerological (meteorological) training. Ensign Reichelderfer was sent to Nova Scotia, where he served as weather officer for antisubmarine patrols until the Armistice.

In 1919 Jacob Bjerknes published *On the Structure of Moving Cyclones*, a monograph describing the revolutionary work of a group of Norwegian meteorologists whose theories and methods were to give Reichelderfer tools he would use to reshape American meteorological services. Wilhelm Bjerknes and his son Jacob had focused their attention on fronts and air masses (particularly the enormous outbreaks of cold air from the polar regions) rather than on individual storms, which represent only the interplay of air masses. Their work provided a logical, 3-dimensional atmospheric model that meteorologists could use to explain and forecast the weather.

Reichelderfer quickly grasped the importance of the Norwegians' work, wrote to Jacob Bjerknes, and began using the new methods himself. In 1922, now a lieutenant, Reichelderfer was sent to Washington, D.C., to direct the Navy's aerological service. During his Washington tour (1922-28) he revitalized the service and led it in the adoption of the Norwegians' meteorological methods. By 1925 he had made air-mass frontal analysis and forecasting techniques standard practice throughout the Navy.

On September 14, 1938, Willis Ray Gregg, Chief of the U.S. Weather Bureau, died at age 58. Because of Reichelderfer's achievements in modernizing the Navy's aerological services, he was picked to succeed Gregg. The first thing the new Chief did was to speed up and strengthen the changeover to air-mass analysis and forecasting. He reorganized the Bureau and began recruiting graduate meteorologists trained in the Norwegian methods. He also instituted intensive, in-house training for Bureau personnel, particularly those in charge of weather analysis and forecast offices.

To improve public forecast and hurricane warning services, Reichelderfer had Bureau meteorologists prepare four public forecasts a day, rather than just two. A short time later (1939-1940), recorded telephone weather forecasts were introduced in New York City, Washington, D.C., Newark, Baltimore, Detroit, and Chicago.

In 1941, after the United States entered the World War II, President Roosevelt designated the Weather Bureau a war agency. Even before this, a Reichelderfer recommendation had led to the creation of a committee to coordinate civilian and military meteorology activities; the committee's functions soon were taken over by the Joint Meteorology

Committee of the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff. Though now a civilian, Reichelderfer was made an official member of the committee. Reichelderfer's membership on the Joint Meteorological Committee and successor groups was the key to the modernization and improvement of postwar Weather Bureau services. The wartime cooperation that developed during weekly and emergency meetings carry over long after the war ended and led to rapid technological advances in American and global weather services. The postwar adaptation of World War II developments and the continuing revolution in technology reshaped meteorology. Reichelderfer sought out and, whenever possible, adapted each technological advance to improve Weather Bureau services.

Radar was one of the more significant meteorological applications to come out of World War II. Reichelderfer was among the first to see radar's potential value. In 1946, thanks to the wartime cooperation established between the Bureau and the military weather services, the Navy gave the Weather Bureau 25 surplus aircraft radar sets, which were subsequently modified for ground meteorological use. Further transfers followed, and the Bureau gradually established a network of weather surveillance radars to guard the tornado-prone midsection and the hurricane-vulnerable Atlantic and Gulf coasts of the United States. In the late 1950's the Weather Bureau developed its own advanced meteorological radar system, which also was adopted by the Naval Weather Service.

Like other meteorologists, Reichelderfer thought that mathematical analysis might provide the key to more accurate weather forecasts. His inquiries led him in 1944 to John von Neumann, who was working on advanced machine computation problems. In 1948, von Neumann established a meteorology group at Princeton University to explore the idea of mathematical weather predictions. The group, led by Jule Charney, modified mathematical equations developed earlier by Carl Gustaf Rossby and succeeded in producing numerical weather predictions. Von Neumann's new, internally programmed computer took only 5 minutes to make a 24-hour forecast. Machine weather forecasting became a practical possibility.

The development of such forecasts required the concerted effort of the Weather Bureau, Naval Weather Service, and the Air Weather Service, an effort Reichelderfer continually championed at meetings with his military colleagues. Each weather service subsequently provided a third of the money and manpower needed to establish a Joint Numerical Weather Prediction Unit in the Weather Bureau in 1954. A year later the

unit acquired one of the first commercial, stored-program computers, and soon it was turning out forecasts twice a day. Within a few years, many other countries began making computer weather forecasts.

Soon after the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) was organized in August 1958 Reichelderfer went to its Administrator, T. Keith Glennan, to sell him on the idea of "a weather eye in the sky." Glennan could see both the value and the popularity of such a satellite, and he gave its development his strong support. TIROS I (Television Infra-Red Observation Satellite), the first experimental weather satellite, was launched by the United States on April 1, 1960. Five hours later, President Eisenhower was looking at a weather picture from space.

Even before TIROS I went blind, Reichelderfer was working hard to generate the political and financial support needed to develop the world's first weather satellite system. In August 1960, NASA and the Weather Bureau jointly invited meteorologists from 21 nations to participate in the analysis of weather data to be gathered by TIROS II. Routine international distribution of cloud analyses and storm advisories prepared from U.S. satellite photographs was arranged following the launch on November 23, 1960. One year later, NASA and the Bureau began training meteorologists from 27 countries to use satellite photographs in weather analysis and forecasting.

Reichelderfer, one of the key planners in the creation of the World Meteorological Organization (WMO), was elected its first president, serving from 1951 to 1955. The course he charted produced a smoothly functioning organization that has continued as the focus for successful international, regional, and global cooperative programs that address weather as a common concern of all countries. His efforts and those of Harry Wexler, chief Weather Bureau scientist, helped lay the foundation for the World Weather Watch and the Global Atmospheric Research Program, huge international programs whose possibility and success were based on the use of meteorological satellites.

Reichelderfer joined AGU in 1939. He was president of the Meteorology Section from 1944 to 1947 and served two terms as AGU vice president (1949-1953 and 1959-1960). Reichelderfer resigned from the Weather Bureau after serving it for 24 years and 10 months. Following his retirement, he served another decade as a consultant to the Weather Bureau, industry, and the World Meteorological Organization.

This tribute was written by Patrick Hughes of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Washington, DC 20273.

News

Sea-Level Changes Investigated

The International Geological Correlation Program (IGCP) is launching a plan to identify and quantify the processes of sea-level change by producing detailed local histories that can be analyzed and correlated for tectonic, climatic, tidal, and oceanographic fluctuations. The project, called IGCP-200, will be conducted through 1987. Its purpose is to provide a basis for predicting near-future changes for application to a variety of coastal problems, with particular reference to densely populated, low-lying coastal areas.

Sea-level variations are actually a complex of local, regional, and global processes. Sea-level data contain a wealth of information concerning internal and external effects and provide the only possibility for reconstructing paleogeographic surfaces and testing complex models. Project IGCP-200 intends to investigate these modulating factors and their interactions in an attempt to define the scales at which changes in sea-level occur, the associated effects on coastal and shelf deposit evolution, and to separate and quantify the causes of these changes (eustasy, isostasy, rheology, tectonics, climate, oceanic changes, astronomical effects, human influences, etc.).

Much of the research will focus on processes operating for periods ranging from a few years to a few thousand years. However, adequate prediction of sea-level change also requires lines of research concerned with the study of much longer time intervals within the Late Quaternary. The wide span of time scales is matched spatially; objects of study will range from single stations or profiles to the earth as a whole.

Three main lines of approach are being adopted:

- (1) Collection, analysis, interpretation, and correlation of new and existing sea-level data; both from areas deficient in data and from key areas providing diagnostic evidence to evaluate assumptions underlying any models which may be developed.
- (2) Survey and data analysis of coastal and shelf deposits to provide valuable information on resource exploitation, coastal land-use planning, land subsidence, reclamation, agriculture, and ecological studies.

(3) Analysis of tide-gauge records and the modeling of other short-term fluctuations, such as changes of the tidal range, storm surges, tsunamis, etc., using computer simulation techniques carefully controlled by reliable, accurate sea-level data. Those wishing to take part in the activities of Project IGCP-200 may contact P. A. Pirazzoli, Laboratoire de Géomorphologie de l'F.R.I.E., rue Maurice Arnaud, 92120 Montrouge, France.

Foreign Grants

The Smithsonian Foreign Currency Program, a national research grants program, offers opportunities for support of research in Burma, Guinea, India, and Pakistan in astrophysics and earth sciences; anthropology, archaeology, and related disciplines; systematic and environmental biology; and museum programs.

Grants in the local currencies of the countries are awarded to U.S. institutions for research by senior scientists; collaborative programs involving host country institutions are welcome. Awards are determined on the basis of competitive scholarly review.

The annual deadline for applications is November 1. For additional information, contact the Foreign Currency Program, Office of Fellowships and Grants, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, DC 20560 (telephone: 202-287-9321).

March streamflow conditions were generally above average over most of the United States, and much of the eastern United States was again in April, with record and near-record flows being set on streams from Maine to Louisiana, according to monthly checks on the nation's water resource conditions by the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS). About 80% of the key index gauging stations showed wide-spread average to below-average flow in April.

glaphon and Natalbany rivers and the Bogue Chitto in Louisiana and the Wolf and Biloxi rivers and Red Creek in Mississippi. The flow of the Anite River at Denham Springs, La., for example, peaked at about 59.7 million gallons (226 million liters) per minute on April 8, which is about 21% greater than the previous record high flow of 49.4 million gallons (187 million liters) per minute on April 25, 1977.

March Flows

In contrast to most of the nation during March, streamflow conditions in the Ohio River valley were well-below average throughout Indiana, Ohio and Kentucky, and also in northern Tennessee, eastern Illinois, southern Michigan, western Pennsylvania and extending eastward into southwestern New York.

Dry weather continued to grip Hawaii in March. The island of Hawaii was designated as a drought disaster area. Streamflows at the

four USGS index stations were in the below-normal range, with stations on the islands of Maui and Hawaii reporting new or record-equaling monthly or daily minimum flows. The combined March flow of the nation's 'Big Five' rivers—Mississippi, St. Lawrence, Ohio, Missouri and Columbia rivers—averaged 962 billion gallons a day (bgd) (3.6 × 10¹² liters per day—lpd), 1% below average for March. These large rivers account for streamflow runoff for more than half of the conterminous United States and their combined flow provides USGS hydrologists with a useful check on the status of the nation's water resources. Flow of the Ohio River at Louisville, Ky.—indicative of the dry conditions in the Ohio River valley—averaged 79 bgd (3 × 10¹¹ lpd), 50% below the long-term March average and 10% below the February flow. Most of the key index gauging stations on streams feeding the Ohio River also reported below-average flows.

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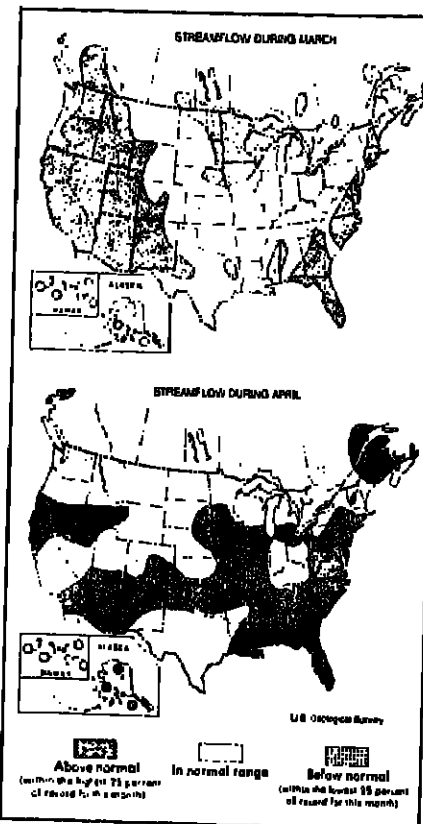
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The Big Five

Reflecting the reduced flow from its Ohio River tributary, flow of the Mississippi River at Vicksburg, Miss., averaged 478 bgd (1.8 $\times 10^{12}$ lpd), 9% below average for March; St. Lawrence River near Massena, N.Y., averaged 173 bgd (6.5 $\times 10^{11}$ lpd), 7% above average for this time of year; Columbia River at The Dalles, Ore., 154 bgd (5.8 $\times 10^{11}$ lpd), 94% above average for March; Ohio River at Louisville, Ky., 79 bgd (3 $\times 10^{11}$ lpd), 50% below average for March; and the Missouri River at Hermann, Mo., 77 bgd (2.9 $\times 10^{11}$ lpd), 61% above average for March.

April Flows

USGS hydrologists said that April was predominantly wet throughout the country, except for dry conditions along the U.S.-Canadian border from western New York through the northern part of the upper Great Lakes states and across parts of Montana, Idaho and Washington state. In the Ohio River valley, streamflow returned to the normal range after being well below average in March. During April, flow of the nation's Big Five rivers averaged 1,385 bgd (5.2 $\times 10^{12}$ lpd), 26% above the long-term average and 44% above the March flow.

The wettest part of the country in April was the area between Maine and Maryland where more than a dozen streamflow records for April were established, including new highs on the Mohawk River at Cohoes in New York and the Potomac River near Washington, D.C. To the south, from Virginia to Florida, 32 of the 37 key index gaging stations reported well-above average streamflows and 11 index stations reported the second or third highest flows ever recorded.

In Utah, the level in the Great Salt Lake continued to rise, increasing another 0 in. (15 cm) in April. The level at the end of the month was the highest in 56 years and more than 3 ft. (1 m) higher than the level at this

time last year. Another hydrologic concern in Utah was the continuing growth of the young Lake Thistle—estimated size 12,000 acre feet (1.5 $\times 10^9$ m³)—created when a massive landslide formed a natural dam on the Spanish Fork River south of Salt Lake City.

Hawaii remained a dry spot in the United States. Streamflow conditions have been below average in the islands now for four consecutive months.

Streamflow in most of Alaska was well-above average during the month. A much below average snowpack for the winter of 1982-83 was reported by state officials.

The nation's groundwater resources rose seasonally during April and record high levels were set in key wells in Kentucky, Alabama and Virginia. In New York, new monthly high levels were recorded in five wells and two wells set new all-time high levels for the period of record. The level in the key index well near Rensselaer, N.Y., for example, stood at 8.38 ft. (2.5 m) below the land surface, about 2 ft. (0.6 m) above the long-term average and the highest level in this well in 28 years of record. The strong recharge and the record groundwater levels were especially welcome in wells in southeastern New York, where recent drought conditions had lowered water levels extensively.

The Big Five

Mississippi River near Vicksburg, Miss., 765 bgd (2.9 $\times 10^{12}$ lpd), 29% above average and 60% above the March flow; St. Lawrence River near Massena, N.Y., 178 bgd (6.7 $\times 10^{11}$ lpd), 4% above the seasonal average and 3% above last month's flow; Ohio River at Louisville, Ky., 147 bgd (5.6 $\times 10^{11}$ lpd), 9% above average and 86% above March; Missouri River at Hermann, Mo., 149 bgd (5.6 lpd), 161% above average and 93% above last month's flow; and the Columbia River at The Dalles, Ore., 146 bgd (5.5 $\times 10^{11}$ lpd), 2% above the seasonal average and 5% below March.

Geophysical Events

This is a summary of *SEAN Bulletin*, 8(4), April 30, 1983, a publication of the Smithsonian Institution. The complete *Ullawun* report is included; reports on Mount St. Helens and earthquakes are excerpted. The *Asama* report appeared in the May 10, 1983, *Eos*.

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Volcanic Events

St. Helens (Washington): Intrusive and extrusive dome growth continue. Etna (Sicily): Lava effusion continues; central crater explosions; deformation, temperature, and self-potential data. Kilauea (Hawaii): Lava effusion stops; low level harmonic tremor, local incandescence, and extension continue. El Chichón (Mexico): Crater lake recedes rapidly; stratospheric aerosols reduce solar radiation; high latitude aerosols sampled. Colima (Mexico): Vapor emission from fumarole field; SO₂ flux estimated. Parícutin (Mexico): Fumaroles emit acid gases.

Nicaragua: Activity at six volcanoes summarized; ash eruption at Concepción; temperature increase and tremor at Momotombo.

Costa Rica: Activity at three volcanoes summarized.

Macdonald (S-central Pacific): Eighth known eruptive episode detected.

Pumice Raft (Kermadec Is.): Floating pumice 460 km WNW of Raoul Island.

Asama (Japan): Summit crater explosive eruption.

Iwo-jima (Volcano Islands): Earthquake swarm, two weak steam explosions.

Kusatsu-Shirane (Japan): Small phreatic explosion; harmonic tremor.

Nigata-Yake-Yama (Japan): Fresh ash on snow.

Sakurajima (Japan): Explosion rate, seismicity decline; lapilli ejected.

Ullawun (New Britain): Increased seismicity, including volcanic tremor.

Mammoth (Bismarck Sea): Vapor emissions, detonations, glow, ashfalls.

Langila (New Britain): Six explosions, highest cloud to 8 km.

Ruapehu (New Zealand): Crater lake green; low pH of river water.

White Island (New Zealand): Deflation ends; Mt. St. Helens Volcano, Cascade Range, S Washington, USA (46.2°N, 122.18°W). All times are local (UT - 8 h through April 23; UT

- 7 h thereafter). Since early February, when explosive activity on the upper K. flank was followed by extrusion of a new lava flow (SEAN Bulletin 8 (1-2)), growth of the composite lava dome has been essentially continuous. Accelerating outward movement of the dome had preceded previous extrusion episodes, but stopped as lava reached the surface. However, substantial endogenous growth has continued throughout the current episode. Poor weather continued to hamper observations.

About April 1, a broad, stubby spine began to emerge at roughly 1 m/day from the center of the February lobe, reaching 30 m in N-S dimension, 20 m in E-W, and about 25 m in height. Growth of this spine stopped about April 15 and extrusion of another spine started about 70 m to the SE. The latter spine remained active until about April 27, when at 60 m height it was the highest point on the dome and roughly the same size as the now-topped February spine (see SEAN Bulletin 8 (2)). Between visits to the crater April 29 and May 4 a new lobe began to grow high on the NE flank of the February lobe. This lava had a typical 'spreading center' source and scoriaceous carapace. Extrusion continued as of May 11 but the growth rate was slow and it remained several times smaller than previous lobes.

Dramatic deformation has continued on the E and particularly the NE sector of the dome since early to mid March. Because of frequent rockfalls, it was difficult to maintain tracks on these areas of the dome, but rates of deformation reached 1.5 m/day and averaged about 1 m/day over roughly 1-week periods. Between measurements May 4 and 11 the NE margin of the dome moved 9 m outward and 2.5 m downward. Deformation on the N side of the dome was limited, but significant rate changes were observed.

Through March the rate was constant at about 1.5 cm/day, but dropped to about 1 cm/day around April 1 as spine growth started. Deformation slowed further to 7-8 mm/day around April 15 as growth of one spine stopped and extrusion of another began (see above) but returned to about 1 cm/day at the end of the month and remained at that rate as of May 11. The W side of the dome, site of the most rapid deformation before many previous extrusion episodes, remained quite stable. No significant deformation of the edifice as a whole was detected.

Vapor and tephra emissions continued from the main vent near the source area of the February lobe but were relatively infrequent, occurring 1-3 times per day. Blasts up to 30 cm in diameter were ejected. Tephra could often be seen in the plumes, which sometimes rose to 1 km above the crater rim; the largest, April 18 at 1259, reached 6 km altitude. There was no apparent correlation between plume emissions and changes in extrusive activity or deformation.

SO₂ emission remained at roughly 150 tons per day until about April 27, when it dropped to 80-90 tons per day. A similar rate was measured April 30 and May 4, but SO₂ emission returned to 150 tons per day May 11.

Seismic activity remained elevated through April. Almost all were of low frequency with emergent onsets, a similar pattern to that seen in March. Between April 1 and 12 daily earthquake totals commonly ranged from 4 to 8, increased to 8-12 events per day April 13-14, then dropped slightly to an average of 8 per day through the end of the month. Surface and avalanche events showed a similar pattern. About April 20, sequences of

tiny, discrete, similar events, previously seen in February (see SEAN Bulletin 8 (2)), reappeared on one summit, but these events could not be located and their significance was uncertain. The start of extrusion of a new lobe of lava between visits to the crater April 29 and May 4 (see above) was not marked by an obvious change in seismicity. Geologists working in the crater May 11 heard loud but relatively small earthquakes, which had not been audible during previous extrusion episodes.

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Chamela Volcano, New Britain Island, Papua New Guinea (5.04°N, 151.31°E). All times are local (UT - 10 h). This report is from P. Lowenstein.

Igniting seismicity, possibly indicating an eruption in the near future, continued at Ullawun in April and included periods of volcanic tremor. Amplitudes of discrete events were generally low, although a degree of cyclicity in amplitudes was apparent, with a period of about 8-11 days. Daily earthquake totals increased from about 600 to about 1500.

After the March 21-22 seismic crisis (see last month's *Bulletin*), Ullawun's seismicity showed a fairly steady decay, reaching a very low level in early April. One clear A-type event was recorded on April 7. A new seismic crisis, preceded by a lull about 24 hours, began on April 10 at about 0310. The initial, strong continuous tremor changed to discontinuous tremor within a few hours. The entire period of tremor lasted about 6 h. After this crisis, a steady decline was evident until April 17. Small A-type events were recorded April 11-16.

On April 17, 5 periods of tremor occurred. After about 3 h of very low seismicity, the first began at 1615. A distinct lull also preceded the third period. Tremor was mostly continuous, with total duration of about 280 minutes. Individual periods lasted about 29-106 minutes and were followed by about 5 h of frequent, discrete shocks and discontinuous tremor. Registering April 18 a gradual decay in amplitude and frequency of occurrence of the shocks was recorded. Possible small A-type events were recorded April 20-29.

No unusual visible activity directly accompanied the seismic crisis. However, ejection of one or more 'smoke rings' seen to rise rapidly to about 500 m above the summit, was reported April 11-18. Blue vapour emission was seen April 14. Ullawun's usual white vapour emissions were moderate to strong throughout the month, but increased toward the end.

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Meteoritic Events

Fireballs: Kenya; Alaska, central; Illinois, Oregon, USA; central USA

Earthquakes

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April 4	0252	6.5M _s	5.73°N	94.81°E	85 km	OT N Sumatra
April 5	0651	5.6M _s	40.06°N	75.30°E	shallow	S Kirgiz SSR
April 12	1208	6.5M _b	4.89°S	78.18°W	107 km	NW Peru
April 18	1059	6.7M _b	27.86°N	62.20°E	89 km	SE Iran
April 22	0038	6.0M _s	14.98°N	99.05°E	10 km	W Thailand

Books

The Road to Jaramillo

W. Glen, Stanford University Press, Stanford, Calif., xvii + 489 pp., 1982, \$37.50.

Reviewed by Henry Frankel

William Glen has written a highly detailed account of the overall development of the time scale for geomagnetic reversals based upon the potassium-argon dating of young volcanic rocks. His treatment begins with an account of the methods developed at Berkeley during the 1950s by John Reynolds, Garnie Curtis, and Jack Evernden for dating geologically young rocks. Then he details the use of these methods by Allan Cox, Richard Doell, and Brent Dalrymple at the U.S. Geological Survey in Menlo Park, Calif., and Ian McDougall and Don H. Tarling at the Australian National University (ANU) in Canberra to date magnetic rocks. And finally he covers the use of the resulting time scale in the

doing young rocks. The second section, the largest and most important in the book, details the development of increasingly more accurate time scales. Glen begins by considering, but rejecting as historically insignificant, Martin Ruten's 1959 geopotential reversal time scale. He offers a highly detailed account of the development of the time scale by Cox, Doell, and Dalrymple, but gives a less complete explication of the time scale's development by their competitors at ANU—Glen considers only the two early time scales of the Australian group. His presentation of the numerous time scales developed by the Menlo Park group is very good, for he discusses some of the incorrect assumptions and empirical mistakes which plagued the group on its road to the Jaramillo. In addition, through his various interviews he brings to life much of the controversy the group faced in its attempt to begin the project.

The third section of the book deals with the application of the time scale to the Elmor-19 profile and the Juan de Fuca and Reykjavik ridges. Glen also traces the development of the Vine-Matthews-Morley hypothesis by Vine, and considers Lawrence W. Morley's independent presentation of the hypothesis. He argues, quite correctly, that the hypothesis should be referred to as the Vine-Matthews-Morley hypothesis rather than simply as the Vine-Matthews hypothesis. Glen considers the development of the reversal time scale by Neil Opdyke and his students at the Lamont-Doherty Geological Observatory along with a fairly detailed account of the reception and eventual acceptance of the hypothesis by those at Lamont-Doherty.

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Cover. Deep-to, high-resolution, 100-kHz side-scan sonar data have been gathered across the middle Mississippi fan, Gulf of Mexico, courtesy of Raul G. Gelfin, U.S. Navy. The detailed imagery is providing new perspectives on deep-sea fan morphology. The figure is a sonographic swath approximately 350 m wide showing a field of bedforms or 'sand waves' in a channel of water 2480 m deep. These very distinct features have wavelengths of about 20 m and heights of approximately 1 m; they compose localized areas, along with a variety of other bedform types, in the floor of the sinuous channel, which has widths of 2-3 km and relief of 30-40 m. The orientation of the bedforms is generally perpendicular to the channel axis and follows the inferred direction of flow (arrow). The processes responsible for the channel, and associated bottom sediment forms, are the subject of continuing study. (Figure courtesy of David B. Prior, Charles E. Adams, and James M. Coleman, Coastal Studies Institute, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA 70803.)

In the epilogue he summarizes the overall history and ends with several appendices, including a brief account of some of J. Tuzo Wilson's various contributions to the revolution. (See *London* [1980] for a broader treatment.)

Detail vs. Synthesis

My general reservation about the book pertains to the relative amounts of historical detail compared to the methodological and historical insight Glen adds to his narrative. *The Road to Jaramillo* is very dense with regard to specific factual information but relatively light on synthesis. This makes it somewhat difficult for the reader to discern what has been improved if Glen had drawn out some of the methodological import of his case study. Glen discusses administrative and social entanglements, but his accounts are too brief to describe precisely what occurred.

Restricting my attention to the development and application of the radiometric pole reversal time scale, I have three specific objections to Glen's account. The first concerns Glen's major thesis about the importance of the time scale in the overall revolution and confirmation of sea floor spreading (hereafter VMM). The second pertains to his scale by those connected with ANU. The third deals with his assessment of Martin Ruten and his time scale. (See *Frankel*, [1982] for a somewhat different account of the development, reception, and eventual acceptance of the Vine-Matthews-Morley hypothesis.)

Glen's major historical thesis, although never stated, takes several forms; in its most grandiose form, it is that the discovery of the Jaramillo and subsequent reversal time scale was the key to the revolution (p. 2). Surely, this cannot be Glen's view of the matter. The major keys to the revolution were conceptual: Harry Hess's idea of sea floor spreading and his two major theoretical corollaries (namely, VMM and Wilson's idea of transform faults) and the transformation of Wilson's idea to a sphere with the development of plate tectonics by W. J. Morgan and D. P. McKenzie and R. L. Parker. Elsewhere (p. 139), Glen states that the "Jaramillo" time scale was the master key in confirming VMM and sea floor spreading. This again is overstatement; the confirmation of sea floor spreading depended upon the confirmation both of VMM and Wilson's idea of transform faults, while confirmation of Wilson's idea was independent of the Jaramillo time scale.

Perhaps Glen's thesis is that the correct radiometric reversal time scale was the key to confirming VMM. However, this also is incorrect. The discovery of the Jaramillo by Cox, Doell, and Dalrymple allowed for determination of constant sea floor spreading rates. When Vine and Wilson initially attempted to determine the spreading rate for the Juan de Fuca ridge based upon the Mason and Raff profile of the ridge, they ended up with an uneven spreading rate. Indeed, this was a problem, and Vine wasn't fully convinced of his hypothesis until Brent Dalrymple told him of the discovery of the Jaramillo in November 1965 at the annual GSA meeting in Kansas City.

But, the master key wasn't the correct radiometric time scale; it was the profile showing the symmetrical pattern of magnetic anomalies around the ridge axis. When one turns to Lamont-Doherty, again it is the profile—Elmor-19—which provided the master key. Indeed, Opdyke and Fitton didn't even know about the discovery of the Jaramillo before they were pretty well convinced of the fundamental correctness of VMM. Moreover, they didn't need the Jaramillo, discovered through an analysis of deep-sea cores.

This point may be made in a slightly different fashion. Glen speaks of the serendipitous use of the time scale (after Cox) and says that "no one dreamed of what was about to unfold" after discovery of the Jaramillo (p. 266). But this is false. Vine knew what would unfold, and immediately unfolded a constant spreading rate. Opdyke, upon seeing Elmor-19, knew what a correct time scale would yield, and he and his graduate students got busy on the sediment cores. Imagine if Morley, Wilson, Hess, Carey, and many of the directional paleomagnetists (such as Irving, Runcorn, or Creer) had been told of the Jaramillo. They too would have known what the discovery meant. Of course, when Cox, Doell, and Dalrymple began their research, they had no reason to know what would unfold. But things were different in the spring of 1965. There was VMM and Vine and Wilson's initial analysis of the Juan de Fuca with a non-uniform spreading rate.

Glen's overall thesis makes it appear as if his book covers the major events leading to the revolution. But in reality, his book primarily covers just one aspect of the revolution—the race to compile a sufficiently complete and reliable data base to construct the reversal time scale.

Shifting ANU

Glen's discussion of the ANU group is made by the group's members, and is thus somewhat biased. Glen's account of the ANU group is somewhat biased, for some of the group's members were not present at the time of the revolution. Glen's account of the ANU group is somewhat biased, for some of the group's members were not present at the time of the revolution.

given an inaccurate picture of just how close the ANU group was to discovering the Jaramillo. There is no question that the Menlo Park group rightfully deserves the credit they have received for discovering the Jaramillo and providing Vine with a basically correct time scale. That they were the first to put the boundary between the Brunhes and the Matuyama epochs at 0.7 million years and designate the next polarity change as the event named the Jaramillo at around 0.9 million years within the Matuyama are well known. But, what is not so well known is just how close the ANU group was to Jaramillo. Because *The Road to Jaramillo* is supposed to be a detailed account of the development of the radiometric time scale, this later work of the ANU group should have been included.

The ANU group published three pertinent articles offering two new time scales; these articles were originally submitted for publication prior to their knowing about the discovery of the Jaramillo event, although none were published until after the Doell and Dalrymple paper on the Jaramillo (Doell and Dalrymple, 1966). In the third paper, they proposed the existence of the Gilsa event, an additional event in the Matuyama (McDougall and Weisink, 1966). It was received by *Earth and Planetary Science Letters* about a month after the publication of the Doell and Dalrymple article. The second paper, which discusses their recent work in Victoria, was received by the *Journal of Geophysical Research* on March 24, about 2 months before the publication of Doell and Dalrymple's article (McDougall, Allsopp, and Channellum, 1966).

The first paper contains the first published version of their third time scale and discusses their recent finds from Réunion with reference to the results from Victoria (Channellum and McDougall, 1966). Unfortunately, there is no published date of reception and it would be of some historic interest to know that date. According to McDougall, the Réunion work was done in 1964 (Glen, p. 218). The Doell and Dalrymple article was received by *Science* on February 2, 1966, although Dalrymple discussed the possible discovery of the Jaramillo in November 1965 at the GSA meeting (Glen, p. 262). I don't know whether the ANU group had submitted its third time scale before the Menlo Park group presented its time scale containing the Jaramillo. But it doesn't really matter. What is important is that the ANU group constructed its third time scale quite independently of the Jaramillo discovery, and that this time scale was almost correct.

The ANU group reported results from three groups of lavas from Réunion. The six samples from the first group ranging in age from 0.43 to 0.58 million years had normal polarity. These results were important for further establishing normal polarity up to 0.71 million years—the corrected date for the Bishop Tuff. The third group provided additional support for the Olduvai event. However, it is the second group of lavas which generated the most excitement. Five of the specimens, ranging in age from 1.07 to 1.18 million years, had reversed polarity. But three of the samples, located on the road to Takamada, dated at 1.01 million years, had normal polarity. Their discussion of the results contained the following:

These data suggest that either the boundary between Brunhes normal and Matuyama reversed epochs occurred at 0.78 \pm 0.07 m.y., with a short interval of normal polarity (that is, an event) at close to 1.01 \pm 0.03 m.y., and the reversed polarity of rocks dated at 0.81 m.y. (data from Victoria and France collected by the ANU group and discussed in their next article) records an event in an otherwise normal epoch. Another possibility is that self-reversal is partly responsible for the somewhat confused picture. Clearly many additional data are needed in the age range 0.7–0.1 m.y. to distinguish between the alternative explanations (Channellum and McDougall, 1966, p. 1214).

This passage warrants comparison with the corresponding section of Doell and Dalrymple [1966].

The placement of the Brunhes-Matuyama boundary is more or less arbitrary in view of the present data. It could be placed between 0.9 m.y. and 1.0 million years ago, in which case the three reversely magnetized domes with ages between 0.71 and 0.73 million years would represent a reversed polarity event in the Brunhes normal epoch; or the boundary could be placed at 0.7 million years ago with 4D087 and 3X187 representing a normal event in the Matuyama reversed epoch at about 0.9 million years. For purposes of stratigraphic correlation, the last transition of polarity will undoubtedly be the most useful, and we therefore prefer to assign the epoch boundary at 0.7 million years. Accordingly we here name the Jaramillo normal event. From the present data it is not possible to tell whether the intermediate direction represents the transition to or from the Jaramillo normal event, nor, therefore, whether the event occurred just before or just after 0.9 million years ago (Doell and Dalrymple, p. 1061).

Both groups realized they had discovered a new polarity reversal which had occurred around 1 million years ago in addition to the

reversal of 0.7 million years. Both groups realized that they could designate the more recent change as the Brunhes-Matuyama boundary with the earlier one as the locus of an event of normal polarity within the Matuyama, or place the boundary at 1 million years with an event of reversed polarity at about 0.8 million years within the Brunhes. The ANU group chose to wait for more data before deciding, while the Menlo Park group endorsed the first alternative despite the fact that they had no more or better data than those at ANU.

If the ANU group had opted for the first alternative and decided that the samples found on the road to Takamada indicated an event, Glen's book could have been entitled *The Road to Jaramillo and Takamada*. But they didn't, and Doell and Dalrymple threw caution by the roadside and named the second change as the Jaramillo because it made more stratigraphic sense. Thus, both groups discovered two reversals in polarity. In fact, the Menlo Park group discovered when the event ended, while the ANU group unearthed when it began. But the Menlo Park group was the first to name the event and supplant the epoch boundary at 0.7 million years.

The ANU group deserves more credit than they have received, and certainly more than what one would think from reading *The Road to Jaramillo*. To put the point somewhat differently: If Vine had spoken with one of the ANU group about their discovery before speaking with Dalrymple, he would have realized immediately that sea floor spreading had occurred at a constant rate along the Juan de Fuca.

Ruten's Contribution

My third disagreement with Glen concerns his generally negative, albeit ambiguous, assessment of Martin Ruten's contribution to the development of the radiometric reversal time scale. The first time scale was developed by Ruten. Ruten, one of many Dutch earth scientists who played significant roles in the overall revolution, attacked a number of problems from different subdisciplines throughout his career. Like many others who played crucial roles in the development of continental drift and its more modern forms, Ruten is a generalist. Glen nicely explicates the development of Ruten's time scale, but he considers his effort premature and doesn't include the time scale in the chronology of those leading to the Jaramillo time scale. Glen describes his field work as simple and hurried, but also characterizes his work as astute. But Glen is quick to quote a rather damning, yet unattributed, comment by one of Ruten's coworkers, alleging an inability by Ruten to understand the technical aspects of paleomagnetism. I find this use of unattributed quotations disturbing, especially in this context, where it is used to denigrate an individual.

I think that Ruten deserves more credit than Glen is willing to give him, and that his time scale should be considered as the first in Glen's chronology. Ruten came up with the idea of developing a radiometric reversal time scale. As a generalist he was perceptive enough to see that combined research efforts in stratigraphy, paleomagnetism, and radiometric dating might produce a time scale. Moreover, he was ingenious enough to attack the problem without using sophisticated equipment. Armed with a field compass, expertise in the field, and knowledge of the literature, he developed the first radiometric time scale. Moreover, as Glen points out (p. 139), the Menlo Park group was "especially dependent upon Ruten's data" in the construction of their first time scale, and I would add that they continued to cite Ruten's findings in further time scales.

I consider Ruten's work good, innovative science. Glen finds it curious that Ruten never directly communicated with Curds or with Evernden—the ultimate users of his radiometric data—and that Ruten didn't continue developing time scales. Glen suggests that it was because Ruten realized "he personally lacked, and could not gain access to, the capabilities in radiometry and rock magnetism prerequisite to such an effort" (p. 139). I don't find Ruten's behavior curious. He couldn't get the needed sophisticated equipment. I don't know whether he could have gained the appropriate expertise. But, why should he bother? He knew that others who had the equipment were beginning work on the problem, and he already had worked out the conceptual relations among stratigraphy, paleomagnetism, and radiometric dating and had constructed the first time scale. Ruten is indeed a generalist in geophysics; not a specialist in some branch of it. He correctly understood his role as a generalist.

Lessons

So much for disagreements. There are two methodological "moral" that Glen touches upon in his book which should be of interest to readers of *Eos*. (1) Admirability of relatively small research units with limited funding shouldn't embark upon research programs already under way at larger institutions with seemingly unlimited funding; they should fund programs in new areas which have some promise of paying large dividends.

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